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Old Model T Auto Parts Are Big Help to Fire Department

MEMPHIS, TENN.—The model T Ford is a virtual museum piece, but delegates to a fire conference here were told how the T is being used effectively in three home-made fire-fighting inventions.

In one case, Model T valve springs were used to separate plates in a device over which hose was laid at points of friction when surging. The springs take up the surge and save the hose.

In a second case, a model T spindle and wheel have been adapted as a one-man, hand-powered hose rewinder.

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Liberty Chapel

Liberty Chapel, April 8.- Gardening time is here again! Are we ready, with the old seed basket filled with the choicest seed? If not we must hurry to the seed store to get our favorite vegetable seed and be sure to bring enough, since we cannot have a bountiful supply of vegetables for canning and table use, all the year, without first planting a good quantity of the best seeds and plants.

What a perfectly fine day we had for Easter! No one could complain about the weather.

The young people of Liberty Chapel Church are holding a series of revival Christian services at the church this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Scruggs, of Fredericksburg spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Scruggs.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. MacKenzie visited in the home of Mrs. Monroe Garrette on last Thursday evening, before leaving on Friday morning for Waldo, Ohio, where they spent the Easter holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. MacKenzie.

Mrs. John D. Childers returned Sunday from Roanoke, where she has been visiting her sons and their families several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kenny have recently moved into their new home near Wildway.

Garland Garrette and Marvin Reynolds made a business trip to Richmond Tuesday.

Alexander Graham Bell Right Smart Man, Oldtimer Admits

HOLDEN, ME. — Howard S. Nauler, "nearly 90," was coaxed by his family into making a telephone call—the first in his life—to an 81-year-old crony who had never before used the contraption, either.

Thomas R. Merritt, 81, of Brewer, said he couldn't hear Nauler any too well, but agreed with him that inventor Alexander Graham Bell—born 100 years ago—had been a right smart man.

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Impartial research polls show that, on the average, people think we make 15%. They also think a fair return would be 10%.

What We Make

But for the year 1946, with the biggest peace-time traffic in history, the railroads earned only . . . 2¾%. This is less than one-half the comparable earnings for other industries.

The reasons for this low return are not hard to find. Since 1939 railroad wages have increased 52½% and the prices of fuel, materials and supplies have gone up 61½%.

But freight rates have just recently been increased an average of only 17½%—a year after the effective date of the last big wage increase.

What About This Year?

It is estimated that the return for 1947, even with the recent freight rate increase, will be only about half the 6% minimum return required to provide the improvements and service needed. This will be because of increased costs of materials and supplies; because certain wage increases granted in 1946 were in effect for only part of 1946 but will be in effect for all of 1947; because of increased special payroll taxes on railroads; and because of a decline in passenger business.

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The kind of service your standard of living requires takes a lot of money for new equipment and improvements. To carry out the post-war improvement program for better equipment, tracks, terminals and modern safety devices, a minimum return of 6% is needed.

So when the railroads make only 2¾ cents on each $1.00 of their net property investment, it concerns you."

The funds for future new equipment and improvements must come from railroad earnings and also from investors. They will furnish money on reasonable terms only if they have confidence in the future earnings of the railroads.

You Have Another Stake In This

Even if you do not own any railroad stocks or bonds, insurance companies and savings banks do. So you still have a special interest in seeing that the railroads are allowed enough to do a good job . . . for you.

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R. D. HUGHES, SR.

e's note: Mr. R. D. Hughes of Lynchburg, has kindly permission to publish a rticles by him on memOld Appomattox. We shall the articles as space will

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To be continued)

Group Meeting Here Sunday

The spring meeting of the Liberty Group will be held Sunday, April 20, at the Liberty Baptist Church, Appomattox, at 2:30 P.M. Rev. W. A. Irving will lead the devotional. Mrs. G. P. Jennings, group leader, will preside and the theme for the program will be: "We Press On." Mrs. W. E. Cullers, Associational Superintendent, will address the group and lead the closing devotional.

The following churches compose the group: Liberty, Red Oak, Spout Spring, Fisher Memorial, Hebron, and Maple Grove.

Legion Plans Carnival Here

The American Legion is having Barney Tassel, with his rides and shows, to come back again, for the benefit of the Legion Memorial building fund, beginning on Monday night, April 21, on the Moses Lot in Hillcrest. Public support is asked by the Legion.

Neighbors Give $25,000 House to Disabled Vet

NEWBURGH, N. Y. — Tears slid down the cheeks of the ex-G.I. in the wheelchair. "I wish," he said, "they'd do something everywhere for fellows not as lucky as I am."

Leslie Moores Jr., 24, disabled from his waist down by a German machine gun bullet two years ago, received the key to a $25,000 six-room bungalow built with money, gifts and donated labor of his Newburgh neighbors. A citizens' committee raised more than $20,000 for the site, materials and furniture. Work started on the house last July. More than 200 persons contributed labor.

The home is equipped with special ramps to make things easier for the crippled ex-private, who is married and has a daughter.

Data on All Allisd Dead in Japan Is Ordered Gathered

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN. — Lieutenant General Eichelberger recently ordered that all possible information be obtained from the Japanese people about unrecovered remains of Allied war dead in Japan.

It has been estimated that the remains of approximately 50 Allied personnel are buried in isolated graves in the Japanese home islands.

Cancer Fund drive now on.

DEATHS

MR. WILLIS F. BOCOCK

Willis P. Bocock, 84, died Tuesday at Southside Hospital, Farmville. He was a son of the late Anne Holmes Faulkner and Thomas S.Bocock and was born at Wildway, this county. He was a member of Liberty Chapel Church.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs William A. Roberts, of Chase City.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 P. M. from Liberty Chapel Baptist Church.

MR. A. A. BALDWIN

Mr. Aurelious Abbitt Baldwin died at his home, R.F.D., Pamplin, Va., Saturday at 12:30 P. M. He was 81 years of age, son of John and Fannie Flood Baldwin. He is survived by one daughter, Miss Cassie Baldwin.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 14, at Rocks Baptist Church, of which he was active member, conducted by the Rev. C. G. Carter, assisted by Rev. C. A. Collins and Rev. R. T. Smith. Interment was in Rocks Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were: Harry Baldwin, S. S. Ranson, J. F. Ranson, J. N. Carter, J. Natt Wilkerson and Wiley Young. Honorary pallbearers were: R. O. Ranson, H. L. Ranson, L. E. Dickerson, Robert Booth, J. W. Dickerson, G. T. Marsh, J. C. Ranson, Homsey Ingle, J. F. Marvin, R. L. Burke, Sr., C. T. Moses, A. R. Harwood, W. M. Abbitt, J. H. O'Brien and W. C. Garrett.

Mr. Baldwin was a highly esteemed citizen of his community and county, and will be greatly missed.

ARMAND GRAVELEY

Armond Graveley, young son of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Graveley died yesterday in Baltimore. We extend deepest sympathy.

MRS. JAMES L. DRISCOLL

Funeral services for Mrs. James L. Driscoll, 88, were held at the home Friday at 3:30. The services were conducted by Rev. Floyd M. Lucas, assisted by Rev. Cecil G. Carter.

Active pallbearers were Berkley Driscoll, Thomas Driscoll, Thomas Driscoll, H.S. Goad, Landon Hudson, Mike Huson and Ray Hudson.

JESSE EDWARD ELDER

Jesse Edward Elder, infant son of Lewis Rufus and Mary Guthrie Elder, died Monday night, in an automobile accident, en route to Charlottesville. He was born in Charlotte County last July 6.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the grave in Concord. Rev. W. M. Black conducted the services.

Fair Queen of Apple Blossom Festival

It will soon be apple blossom time in Washington state. Reigning over the Washington State Apple Blossom festival, May 1 to 3, will be pretty Jean Marie Olson of Wenatchee. Miss Olson is 18 and a senior in high school.

Snow Removal In County Cost State Dept. $4,700

Richmond, April 16.- Removal of the 20 inches of snow which fell in Appomattox County during the severe storms which fell between February 19 and March 8 cost the State Highway Department a total of $4,760.19, according to figures released here this week.

The department reported a total bill of $1,004,809 for the entire State as it released its tabulation of costs in the struggle to keep the roads open.

The million dollar figure did not include the costs of chemicals, abrasives, nor extensive damage done to unimproved roads. $620,564, which went into overtime pay and cost of additional labor and equipment, will be carried as a deficit. Work done by regular forces, costing, $384,245, will be charged against the maintenance balcets of the primary and secondary systems in each county.

In Appomattox County, $2,612.88 went for snow removal on the primary system while the battle to keep open the secondary roads cost $2,147.31.

Demonstration Club Schedule

Home Agent's Schedule for week of April 19-26:

Saturday, April 19.- Appomattox 4-H Club girls will meet at 9:00 A.M. in the office of Mrs. Anderson. Demonstration on hems and finishes for slips.

Monday, April 21.- The Pamplin Home Demonstration Club will meet in the Home Economics room at 2:00 P.M.

Tues., April 22.- The Trinity Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. J. I. Moore.

Wed., April 23.- The Home Demonstration Committee which is composed of club presidents and secretaries will meet at 2:00 P.M. in the office of the home agent. Miss Lucy Blake, district agent, of Blacksburg, will meet with this group. Plans will be made for formulating the 1948 club programs.

Thurs. April 24.- The Oakgrove Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P.M. Place to be announced.

Friday, April 25.- The Bethany Club will meet at 2:00 P. M.Place to be announced.

ROBT. EDWARD MOORE

Robert Edward Moore, 64, of R. F.D. 3, Appomattox, died at his home yesterday, following an illness of 18 months. He was a son of the late T. Burge and Nannie Burge Moore. He is survived by four sisters: Mrs. J. D. Hamilton, Mrs. T.E. Harris, Mrs. T.T.Phelps and Miss Hester A. Moore and by two brothers, Wiley F. and Clarence F. Moore.

Funeral services will be held at the grave in the Moore Cemetery this afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

Yankees loses opening game.

Wed 50 Years

Monday, April 14, marked the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Fleshman, of Bluefield, formerly of Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. Fleshman were married in Appomattox April 14, 1897, by Rev. Braxton Taylor.

We extend congratulations.

AT PAMPLIN HIGH SCHOOL

Don't forget to see your favorite hillbillies this Saturday night, at the Pamplin High School.

FIGURES ON TRAVEL IN APPOMATTOX COUNTY

Richmond, April 19.- Primary highways in Appomattox County, which make up 0.643 per cent of the total primary road mileage in Virginia, carry 0.441 per cent of the total state traffic, surveys recently completed by the State Highway Department show.

The study showed that there are 56.4 miles of rural primary highway in Appomattox, with an average 38,135 vehicle miles of travel daily.

Exhibition Ball Games

Lee Theatre ball team will play three exhibition games here before the regular Skyline season opens May 10.

Durham, N. C. will play here on Sunday, April 20. Red Hous will play here Sunday, April 27. Chase City plays here Sunday, May 4.

Some of the familiar play'rs on the Lee Theatre team roster are: Nick Leftwich, Joe Overman, Lefty Wright, James St. Clair, Harold Reid, Leo Brenner (1941 team), Crawford Davidson, Gordon Webb, Lefty Grimes. New players expected to be added: Jack Glascock, Tom Berry, Harry Tucker and Al Horton.

P.- T. A. Will Hear Dr. Shouse

The Appomattox P.- T. A. will meet Tuesday, April 22, at 2 P.M. in the high school library.

Dr. S. S. Shouse will be the guest speaker.

Officers for the coming year will be elected.

Cyrus Playing Pro Baseball

David Cyrus, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cyrus, of Spout Spring is now with the Albany Cardinals. He has been showing well pitching in spring training. He starred with the local Lee Theatre team last year.

Says Farm Prices At All Time High

Mr. Calvin Robinson,
The Times-Virginian,

The following figures and comments should not only be read by our farmers and business men but they should also be thought about and pondered over:

"The following market quotations came from Kansas City: (Last Years ago) Receipts were 2,405 cattle, 6,422 hogs, and 6,324 sheep. Fed steer top was $4.00; feeder top, $4.50; hog top, $3.85; lamb top, $4.05."

"Prior to the 1930's some of us looked upon such prices as past history. Many of us in Virginia in the early 1930's saw prices in line or lower than the above." -Above quoted from the April, 1947 issue of Bulletin No. 455.

"That evasive recession: -A good many economists, in government and outside, are predicting now that the recession they had marked down in their books for right about now will be along next fall. We've no comment except this one . . the higher prices go, the more painful and abrupt will be the slide. Here are some of the reasons we think it's dangerous to do much economic guessing, predicting, forecasting, or call-it-what you-will: -

1. Even as late as February 1, a good many people in position to make good, intelligent forecasts were looking forward to a surplus of eggs.

2. Late last year, men who had access to all the facts and figures and plenty of experience to boot figured that feed would be selling at about $60 a ton on April 1.

3. Between the Russians, the unpredictable French and the moves (U.S.A. may make in response to the pressures set up in Moscow and Paris, we don't think anyone could make a good guess on just what's going to happen in Europe by next fall. Yet what happens there and in the Middle East will have enormous consequences here at home.

4. The weather will influence the entire agricultural outlook very heavily in 1947. Bad weather could bring a threat of famine to countries which look to this nation for supplies.

We think those are four good reasons for staying away from hard-and-fast predictions on the coming 12 months. -

"But whatever you do in 1947, do it well. The efficient producer, the intelligent marketer, the conscientious grower - they will be in position to either take advantage of a highly favorable situation or to ride out rough weather. -

"Statistics - The February 15, 1947, figures on prices received by farmers (all farmers for all crops) were the highest on record. Never before in American history have farmers received so much money for their products. Costs, that is the prices paid by farmers are at the level of 1920. That's high, but not comparable with prices received. The index of farm prices is substantially above the index of wholesale prices of all commodities. In short, situation on that date was favorable for farmers. But when the slide comes, the prices received will drop far faster than the prices paid."

-Quoted from NEPPCO News of March 31, 1947, prepared by the Northeastern Poultry Producers Council,

Very truly yours,
R. B. Hudgins, County Agent.

SENIOR CLASS MEETING

The Senior Class of Appomattox High School held its monthly business meeting April 13. A report was given by the play selection committee and a play has been ordered.

Seniors were glad to see the return of Miss Harriet Holley, a Senior class sponsor. -Reporter.

RED CROSS GIFTS:

Previously reported	$1,105.70
Mrs. B. S Calcott	2.00
Mrs. Jas. R. Abbitt	1.00
Miss Vara B. Abbitt	1.00
Evergreen Meth. Church	38.00
W. S. Guthrie	1.00
Wm. S. Jones	5.00
Miss Peggy Moses	1.00
Mrs. Don Moses	1.00
Total to date	$1,155.70

High School CHATTER

- Contributed

Hello kids. Here we are again with more news from dear old A. H. S.

Ah, yes, only too soon another graduating class will be leaving us for the wide, wide world. Already we've noticed Senior activities flourishing. The Seniors tell us they've measured for their gowns and have decided what kind of class night to have. We're wondering, though, when a "Senior Play" will be announced.

Another of the art exhibits is now on display in the school library. The art exhibits are certainly wonderful and everyone should take advantage of them.

Appomattox High School opened the baseball season with a bang by playing the first game last Friday (with Cumberland. Incidently, we lost, 4 to 5. The next game was Tuesday with Farmville. We lost again. The next game is Friday with Buckingham. We're rooting for you, team.

What's this we hear about Bill Green and Joyce? She must like the name. Remember Perdue? And perhaps we might mention one other!

A group of students from A. H. S. attended an S. C.A. conference at Lynchburg College Wednesday.

We're glad to welcome Miss Holley back after her illness. We certainly missed her.

Station wagons are pretty handy to have. At least it seemed so Saturday night.

The Spanish Club will sponsor the Canteen Party Friday night. We hear there will be some important guests of honor present, so you'd better be there.

Since everyone already knows that Sinatra socked someone and that Richard finally opened the door, we won't bother to mention these news items again. So long, till next week.